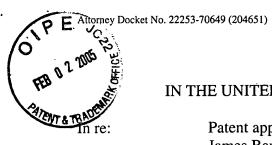
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed September 3, 2004 in the above application. This response is being filed within the second month after the end of the three-month shortened statutory period set in the action. A separate request and fee for a two-month extension of time, which resets the due date for response to February 3, 2005, is filed herewith.

No other fee should be due for consideration of this response. However, if it is determined that any other fee is due, please charge such fee, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-0573.

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